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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 18, 2005, a response to which is due August 18, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Also enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time for 1 month from August 18, 205 to September 18, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.